Popular' Water is

Musical Comedy, Photoplays And Burlesque at Theaters

-Fun and music are the chief ingredients of "Step Lively," which opened at Poli's last night for a week's run. The Awo acts of the excellent musical farce are laid in the reception room and the

Hal Johnson leads the cast, which in-ides some capable performers. His work as a female impersonater was well received. Miss Naomi, the girl violinist, who played with unusual charm and skill, proved to be a favorite. Florence Little was an agreeable prima

donna and led the chorus through some o, the latest song hits. Most of the funnaking in the show was furnished by filly Wyse in a blackface part. He was ably assisted by Clyde Long, who was ao amusing as a German comedian.

The stage settings were attractive, espetially in the Hawaiian number at the ginning of Act II, this number adding at to the show. In scenic effect and estumes "Step Lively" is well equipped.

Frank McIntyre made his motion pic-tre debut at Loew's Columbia yesterday 'The Traveling Salesman' and will inflane as the photoplay attraction at is consistently required that the chorus shall be pretty, nimble and willing.

The musical numbers are abundant—lively and tuneful. "The Frisco Bear," is unusual realism. The picture concerns the love making of Bob by Hall and Barry, and "When the Band"

Blake, a traveling salesman, who saves the fair heroine from a grasping million-aire and his henchman. Doris Kenyon plays Beth Elliott.

Charlie Chaplin in "The Rink" is the other feature of the program. He has rather outdone himself as a comedian and appears as a waiter in a restaurant and in a skating rink. It may be re-corded that Charlie Chaplin is a master in the art of acrobatic skating. Fall he does, many times, but he could do the latest skating waitz if he chose. "The Rink" is the best in comedy that the comedian has contributed in some time.

Gayety-Burlesque.

Al Hall and Bobby Barry, headliners in the world of mirth-making, assisted by Harvey Brooks, Joe Weston, Bob Calert, Norma Bell, Alfarretta Symonds, Mary Mack and a line of pretty girls in your appeal in last night's Star I hasten the chorus, furnish an entertainment this to send my check for \$2 to be used by week at the Gayety, styled "The Girl from Nowhere," which contains all the elements that are necessary in an upto-the-minute burlesque show, riotous to the minute burlesque show, riotous the minute burlesque show the minute show th

beauty, fun and music.

The chorus is a big feature, receiving much applause, which is always indicative of the real merit of a show, for it

FORWARD GIFT MONEY TO "OPPORTUNITIES"

Charity Association Raises \$129 for Poor Families.

Among the first contributions received for the "Christmas Opportunities" the Associated Charities presents is one rep resenting the sum formerly spent by two friends in the exchange of presents Instead of giving to each other they decided to give to the "Opportunities," Another example of self-denial is that of Another example of self-denial is that of a small boy who has been saving his pennies waiting for the "Opportunities" to appear. Growing impatient his father called up the Associated Charities last week to ask when the "Opportunities" were to be published.

One gentleman writes: "Having noted your appeal in last night's Star I hasten to send my check for \$2 to be used by you as you deem best on the Christmas.

could supply the entire amount, but unfortunately I cannot."

Thus far \$129 has been received for these "Fourteen Opportunities." Con-tributions sent to the Social Service House, \$23 H street northwest, or to The Herald will be promptly acknowledged

Begins to Play," by Miss Symonds, were

avorites.

The principals, Hell and Barry, are high class in their different roles as fun-makers. The newness and brightness of the costumes and scenery add to a pleas-ing entertainment that was evidently built for the immediate relief of that "tired feeling."

Lyceum-Burlesque

"The Broadway Beauties," led by George H. Ward and Jules Held, opened week's engagement at the Lyceum last a week's engagement at the Lyceum last night in a two-act musical revue. Ward and Held, two funmakers of ex-traordinary talent, were supported by Bernie Clark, Ned Woodley, Mabel Le Monier, Virginia Kelsey, and Mabel Webb, in two burlettas, the first entitled "District 18" and the afterpiece, "On the Border."

Border."
Several vaudeville sketches were added. Several vaudeville sketches were added, in addition to the regular burlesque features, that add variety to the bill. A few musical numbers were introduced by Misses Kelsey, Le Monier, and Webb. "Poppy Time in Old Japan," "Down Honolulu Way," "Arizona," and "What Do You Want to Make Those Eyes at Me For," made hits.

National-Burton Holmes Lecture.

The plunge of a racing automobile going at full speed into a high board fence, exciting skids around a double curve, and at least six upsets, all of which occurred during the automobile races at Dieppe about three years ago, thrilled the large audience which heard Burton Holmes' travelogue, La Belle France, at the National Theater last night.

The travelogue started from the quaint town of Mont St. Michel, touched Trouville, the Newport of France, passed the ville, the Newport of France, passed through Britanny, Normandy and the chateaux country, and continued on to colonial France, Laos, in far-away Indo-China, was seen on the screen, but the longest pauses in the French colonies were made in Morocco, where the only motion pictures of the former Sultan, Abdul-Assiz, were shown.

WIN MILLION-DOLLAR SUIT.

Special to The Washington Herald,
Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Dec. 17.—The
fight of the Saranac Land and Timber
Company for 12,800 acres of timber land in
St. Lawrence County, valued at more
than \$1,000,000, which has been in the
courts for twenty years, has been decided
in favor of the Saranac company by the
referee.

BAND CONCERT PROGRAM.

ort by the U. S. Marine Band Or-William H. Santelmann, leader, at Barracks this afternoon at 2:30

o'clock.
PROGRAM.
Grand March, "Entrance of the Guests at the Wartburg," from Tannhauser, Wagner Overture, "Euranthe" Von Weber "The Eri King" (Transcribed by Frans Lisat) Schubert Eri Eing

to for Violoncello, Op. 38.

Baint-Saens

Musician Fritz Mueller Baint-Saens
phony "Im Walde" Raff
Daytime, Thoughts and Impressions.
(a) At Dusk, Reverie; (b) Dance of the
das, J. At Night, quiet Reign of Night
te Forest, Coming and going of the Wild
t with Frau Holle and Wotan, Break

Star Spangled Banner

Pastor Declares Flirtations Are Grave Peril for Young Girls

Rev. James L. Gordon, in Ser- Bible "Most Sensational Book mon, Admonishes Youthful Auditors to Beware.

"An Innocent Flirtation," or "The who will "pick up" young women on the street and the young women who will per-mit themselves to be "picked up." He warned young people that danger lurked in "chance acquaintances" and

said firtations on the street were gener-ally carried on by men whose motives were other than merely desiring to form a sincere friendship. He believed that

a sincere friendship. He believed that many girls become a party to such a flirtation because they are lonely and desire to make friends.

"But beware, young women," Dr. Gordon said, "these flirtations are not innocent as you may at first suppose. Some morning you will wake up and realize that what I am telling you is the truth, because through your innocent flirtation you will suddenly learn that your destiny has been fixed."

Dr. Gordon spoke briefly on this subject and directed the remainder of his remarks to people who believe that:

"The world owes me a living. Every-

"The world owes me a living. Every-thing is a matter of luck. I will look out for No. 1 first. Money is our best friend after all. He can be bought. What's the use?"

He said that the world owes no man a living, but only a fair chance for a per-son to make the best of his or her op-portunities. Dr. Gordon said that life is not a game of luck but of skill. He for himself first is "the meanest of hu-

Of the person who believes that money or the person who believes that morely is a man's best friend, Dr. Gordon said:
"When the Titanic went down into the sea there were certain men on that ship who could have bought a haif dozen ships like it, but they went down to their death. Was money their best friend?"
He remarked that a person thinks that
every politician or public official can be
bought is "crooked to the core and he

bought is "crooked to the core and he himself can surely be bribed."

"What's the use?" Dr. Gordon asked.
"There is this much use to everything we do, that is that we are daily piling up a record either in favor or against our eternal life."

NOLAN SEES VICTORY AHEAD FOR PAY BILL

Author of \$3-a-Day Measure Elected President of California Society.

Commenting on his bill now before Con Commenting on his bill now before Congress, at the monthly meeting of the California, State Association, at the New Ebbitt, last night, Representative John J. Nolan, of California, author of the Nolan Sa-a-day minimum wage measure, said:

"Indications for the passage of the bill this gession are favorable."

"Indications for the passage of the but at this session are favorable. I am encouraged by the good results that have already been accomplished, and I sincerely hope that the United States will be cerely hope that the United States will be man.

The report covers the activities of the results of the report covers the activities of the results of the as good to their employes as the large corporations throughout the country have been to theirs."

been to theirs."

Representative Nolan was elected president of the society. Other officers are: John T. Waldorff, first vice president; A. B. Foster, second vice president; Mrs. John C. Raker, third vice president; Mrs. John C. Raker, third vice president; Mrs. Marie H. Smith, fourth vice president; Joseph J. O'Brien, secretary; Mrs. Helen Rapley, financial secretary; C. T. Vogel, treasurer; A. J. Boyer, historian, and the Rev. Edward Marshall Mott, chaplain. A committee composed of Joseph J. O'Brien, W. W. McCord and Frank Murphy was authorized to confer with Col. Harper, of the inaugural committee, to arrange for the West to be represented in the inaugural parade.

Arrangements for the annual banquet were placed in the hands of a banquet committee.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH BY GAS.

Coroner Nevitt yesterday gave a cer-tificate of accidental death in the case of William Cunningham, who was found

PAIN KILLER NEARLY FATAL.

Special to The Washington Herald. Altoona, Pa., Dec. 17.—The life of Mrs. W. H. Schwartz, wife of a Tyrone dentist, was saved by a pulmoter. She had taken pain killing tablets.

HALF MILLION FOR GRAND OPERA

Chicago, Dec. 17.-Half a million dollars wealthy Chicagoans.

of 1916," Rev. Howard I. Stewart Asserts.

"The Most Sensational Book of 1916" Tragedy of a Street Acquaintance," was the subject of a sermon by the Rev. the topic of Rev. Dr. James L. Gordon's sermon in the First Congregational Church in which he flayed young men to Rev. Stewart the Bible is the most sensational book. sensational book, not of only 1916 but of

all time. "The fact that there are many things that today we cannot fathom, and if they happened today would be considered sensational, makes the Bible the most startling of all books," said the pastor.

"There occured during Abraham's life

"There occured during Abraham's life many incidents in which he was forced to resort to the unusual in order to attract the people's attentions to his precepts and teachings. Many of the prophets and seers of old did the same thing because they realized, as we modern folks do, that it is the unusual that attracts the most attention.

"The Bible is full of strange teachings, many that are tandily accepted because

"The Bible is full of strange teachings, many that are tardily accepted because they seem unusual; for instance: If a man strike thee on thy right cheek, turn thou the left cheek,

"Christ was the only man that ever accomplished anything by dying, and by His death upon the cross showed us the way to salvation. There were men in those days that expected the Christ to be born in a palace surrounded with the

those days that expected the Christ to be born in a palace surrounded with the luxuries of life, but instead He was born in the lowly manger.

"Likewise many of the disciples of Jesus, in fact, nearly all of them. came from the lower walks of life, as did many of the prophets and miracle workers of the Old Testament.

"No book ever written contains as many sensational parratives as the Bible.

many sensational narratives as the Bible, as many of the precepts laid down as a guide for our moral and spiritual benefit seem strange and unusual because of the difficulty of application."

"The stories of Creation and the flight of the Jews out of Egypt are in them-selves sensational as rated by modern standards. The Book of Revelations no doubt contain more of the strange and unusual than any part of the New Testa-ment, except the miracles of the Christ himself.

"The old miracle workers and seers, if

"The old miracle workers and seers, in they had not at times resorted to the sen-sational, yet not vulgarisms, could hard-ly have hoped to make an impression, be-cause human nature has changed very ittle during these centuries. Many of these events are recorded just as the observers saw them and understood them and this no doubt accounts for the sensational character of the incidents."

THIRTEEN SHOPLIFTERS **CAUGHT DURING WEEK**

Police Vigilance Protects Stores and Crowds During Rush Season.

Thirteen persons were arrested during the week for shoplifting against whom forty-one cases were made, according to the report of Detective Sergt. Charles Evans to Superintendent of Police Pull-

regular and special detectives that were assigned to stores during the shopping season. There were no old offenders.

Special precautions are being taken as Christmas approaches to guard against this class of thieves. By agreement with the Retail Merchants' Association every case, where the offenders have been caught in the act, will be prosecuted.

Nutshell News

Rev. James H. Taylor, paster of Cen tral Presbyterian Church, addressed the extension workers of the Y. M. C. A. at a dinner given in their honor.

New headquarters of the Teachers' Club were opened at 602 Eleventh street north-west.

The Trestleboard Club of the Government Printing Office held its monthly meeting in the Old Masonic Temple.

of William Cunningham, who was found dead at 315 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, where he roomed, from the effects of illuminating gas.

He was 45 years old.

Plans were discussed at a meeting of the officers of the West Virginia Society for participation of the society in the reunion of Confederate veterans to be held here. The next meeting of the society will be held January 5.

The Harlan Bible Class of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church will have a supper and celebration tonight.

A special prayer service was held last night under the leadership of Rev. E. S. H. Gans, former secretary of the United Christian Church Association.

Pair of Trousers Stolen. A pair of trousers valued at \$8, was stolen from Max Kassan, 525 Tenth street to insure grand opera to Chicago for the stolen from Max Kassan, 525 Tenth street next five years has been pledged by northwest, according to a report to the police.

A general library is a most excellent feature in any home. It provides for the personal taste of such books as reflect the choice of the reader-young or old.

Sectional Bookcases

The Globe-Wernicke Co.

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\$45 to \$85 SUITS, now \$25, \$35, \$45 COATS, now \$35, \$65, \$95 \$55 to \$145 GOWNS, \$65 to \$125 now \$35, \$55, \$75 WRAPS, \$95 to \$150 now \$55, \$75, \$95 \$10 to \$25 BLOUSES, now \$5, \$10, \$15 \$18 to \$28 HATS, \$5 and \$10

NATURALIST PRAISES SCIENCE OF WOODMEN

Climbing Put Man on His Feet.

"If our cavemen ancestors had not been able to 'shin' up a tree at night we would not have been here today," said Ernest Thompson Seton, naturalist, in a electure last night at Congress Hall Hotel. Mr. Seton is the guest of Representative Porter, of Pennsylvania. "Woodcraft is the nearest to my heart. It is the first fundamental science known to man, and it took man from a four-legged animal and set him up on two legs and made a real man of him," said Mr. Seton.

Mr. Seton is chief of the Woodcraft League of New York and plans are on:

Publishers of small and large news-papers and manufacturers of papers will consult again with members of the Federal Trade Commission today to try to of news print paper that will be fair to all.

It is doubtful that the hoped for agreement will be reached during the day. Meanwhile, publishers are urging action by the Department of Justice to see if there is a combination to raise the price of news print paper. League of New York and plans are on foot for the establishment of a branch

WINTER LOSES MEN JOBS.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 17.—Fifteen thousand workmen are idle as a result of a .hortage of natural gas due to the print paper, and cut down on the manu

PUBLISHERS MAY SOLVE

Ernest Thompson Seton Says Tree Distribution Plan Suggested by Small Papers to Be Discussed Today.

Publishers of smaller papers will renew their move today to obtain an agree-ment for a distribution of paper based on circulation. The larger publishers are opposing the plan, and have contracts which give them a larger supply.

Efforts will be renewed to persuade paper manufacturers to devote more of their plants to the manufacture of news

Mass Meeting **Tonight**

Employes of the **Federal Government**

AND OF THE

District of Columbia

Convention Hall 8 O'CLOCK THIS EVENING

All employes of the Governments of the United States and of the District of Columbia are hereby respectfully notified that the mass meeting called for the purpose of impressing upon Congress the necessity of increasing the salaries of all the employes of the United States wherever located, and of the employes of the District of Columbia in order to meet the tre-mendous increase in cost of living, will be held this evening. The general public is also invited.

ADMISSION FREE NO COLLECTIONS

The following speakers will address the meeting

SAMUEL GOMPERS, President, American Federation of Labor. NEWTON A. JAMES, President, Wash-

ington Central Labor Union.

FRANK MORRISON, Secretary, American Federation of Labor.

R. TAYLOR, Laborers' Protective Union

L. V. LAMPSON, High School Teachers'

E. W. MORCOCK, President, Columbia Typographical Union. N. F. ALIFAS, Machinists' Union.

MISS GERTRUDE M'NALLY, Federal Labor Union, No. 12776.

H. M. M'LARIN, President, Federal Employes' Union. MISS FLORENCE ETHERIDGE, Treasurer, Federal Employes' Union.

THOMAS F. FLAHERTY, Secretary, National Federation of Postoffice Clerks. JOS. H. HURLEY, District Branch, Federal Employes' Union.

By authority of the American Federation of Labor Conference for Salaries Increase.

> SAMUEL GOMPERS, Chairman. FRANK MORRISON, Secretary.



